

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 15 public bills, H.R. 4071–4085; and 9 resolutions, H.J. Res. 104; H. Con. Res. 103–104; and H. Res. 556–561 were introduced. **Pages H943–44**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H944–45**

Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows: H.R. 1433, to protect private property rights, with an amendment (H. Rept. 112–401). **Page H943**

Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by voice vote. **Pages H905, H927**

Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act—Conference Report: The House agreed to the conference report to accompany H.R. 3630, to provide incentives for the creation of jobs, by a yea-and-nay vote of 293 yeas to 132 nays, Roll No. 72. **Pages H907–27**

H. Res. 554, the rule providing for consideration of the conference report, was agreed to by voice vote after the previous question was ordered without objection. **Page H926**

Committee on Ethics—Communication: Read a letter from Chairman Bonner wherein he transmitted, pursuant to rule XI, clause 3(b)(5) and Committee Rule (9)(e), and with the unanimous approval of the Committee on Ethics, a written request for the appointment of six substitute Members, necessitated by voluntary recusals, to serve for any Committee proceeding related to the Matter of Representative Maxine Waters currently before the Committee on Ethics. **Pages H927–28**

Committee on Ethics—Speaker's Designation: Pursuant to clause 3(b)(5) of rule XI, the Chair announced the Speaker's designation of the following Members to act in any proceeding of the Committee on Ethics relating to the Matter of Representative Maxine Waters: Representatives Goodlatte, LaTourette, Simpson, Capito, Griffin (AR), and Sarbanes. **Page H928**

Directing the Clerk of the House of Representatives to provide a copy of the on-the-record portions of the audio backup file of the deposition of William R. Clemens: The House agreed to H. Res. 558, directing the Clerk of the House of Representatives to provide a copy of the on-the-record portions of the audio backup file of the deposition of William R. Clemens that was conducted by the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform on February 5, 2008, to the prosecuting attorneys in

the case of *United States of America v. Clemens*, No. 1:10-cr-00223—RBW (D.D.C.). **Page H928**

Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12 noon on Tuesday, February 21st; when the House adjourns on that day, it adjourn to meet at 10 a.m. on Friday, February 24th; and when the House adjourns on that day, it adjourn to meet at 2 p.m. on Monday, February 27th. **Page H928**

Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted to Congress the Economic Report of the President—referred to the Joint Economic Committee and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 112–77). **Pages H938–39**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H935.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote developed during the proceedings of today and appears on page H927. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 2:08 p.m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—FOREST SERVICE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies held a hearing on FY 2013 budget request for the Forest Service. Testimony was heard from Tom Tidwell, Chief, Forest Service.

APPROPRIATIONS—DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies held a hearing on FY 2013 budget request Department of Agriculture. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Agriculture: Thomas Vilsack, Secretary; Kathleen Merrigan, Deputy Secretary; Joseph Glauber, Chief Economist; and Michael Young, Budget Officer.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION BUDGET REQUEST—DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

Committee on Armed Services: Full Committee held a hearing on FY 2013 National Defense Authorization Budget Request from the Department of the Army. Testimony was heard from John McHugh, Secretary, Department of the Army; and Raymond Odierno, Chief of Staff, U.S. Army.